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In re the Application of: Yoshinori MATSUURA et al.

Group Art Unit: 1745

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Examiner: Susy N. Tsang Foster

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For: METAL HYDRIDE ALKALINE STORAGE CELL AND  
MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

Attorney Docket No.: 981032A

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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

February 26, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 2, 2003, please amend the  
above-referenced application as follows:

**Amendment to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Arguments/Remarks** begin on page 3 of this paper.